

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 706

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Vernon and Dorothy Vandiver on the celebration of their 69th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 1933, Vernon and Dorothy Vandiver were joined in holy matrimony at the Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan by the late Reverend Zwyer, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Vandiver have been highly respected citizens of Morristown for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vandiver is retired, and Mrs. Vandiver works part-time for Dr. Evelyn Cintron in Morristown; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced two children, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; the Vandivers' children are Carl Vandiver of Morristown, his wife, Nadean, and Carleen Vandiver of Zion, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Vandivers are also the proud grandparents of seven grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, for sixty-nine years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Vandivers' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Vernon and Dorothy Vandiver on the celebration of their 69th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.